DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

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INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY SEVERE WEATHER UPDATE

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State EOC Activation Level

Level III – Active Emergency Conditions – A situation has occurred requiring limited activation of the emergency operations center.

Current Situation

- Drifting snow is making travel difficult to impossible in areas of north central and northeast Indiana. Numerous vehicles have been abandoned after becoming stuck. Drivers rescued by local law enforcement and fire personnel.
- Power restoration operations continue across southern Indiana. Hundreds of contractors are assisting Vectren, Duke and local REMC personnel.
- Formal EMAC request has been received from the State of Kentucky for deployment of Indiana National Guard (ING) vehicles and personnel. Request currently under legal review. ING staging areas established at Evansville, New Albany and Camp Atterbury.
- Vanderburgh County is concerned about damage to residential power connections that will
 prevent power restoration to some homes. The State EOC has contacted The Office of
 Faith Based and Community Initiatives to discuss possible assistance options.

Health, Safety and Security

Health: Several counties in IDHS District 10 have reported carbon monoxide related-

injuries caused by improper generator use. For tips on generator safety,

please visit the IDHS website at www.in.gov/dhs.

Security: Hoosiers are reminded to be aware of price gouging. If you feel you have

been a victim of price gouging, please call the Consumer Protection Division

at (317) 232-6330 or (800) 382-5516.

County Emergency Declarations

Please visit www.in.gov/dhs for current county emergency situations.

Shelter Operations

Total Reported Shelter Population: 230

Total Capacity Available: 1,075

Floyd County

Georgetown - Southern Baptist Church - 63

Harrison County

Corydon – Harrison Twp/Corydon Fire Dept. –

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Corydon - YMCA of Harrison County - 31

Corydon – Oasis Ministry – 25

Perry County

Tell City - St. Paul's Catholic Church -8

Posey County

Mt Vernon - First Presbyterian Church - 6

Vanderburgh County

Evansville – Red Cross Chapter – 35

Evansville - Armed Forces Reserves Center - 28

Warrick County

Boonville - St. Mary's - 27

New Burg – St John's Catholic School – 4

Critical Infrastructure and Facilities

Power Current Total: 38,833

Outages: Peak Total: 229,621

Vectren – 27,553 – Expected Restoration: 02/06/2009

Duke Energy – 4,233 – Expected Restoration: 01/31/2009

Orange County REMC – 50 – Expected Restoration: 02/01/2009

Clark County REMC – 250 – Expected Restoration: 02/03/2009

Southern Indiana REMC – 1,747 – Expected Restoration: 02/04/2009

Dubois REMC – 300 – Expected Restoration: 02/01/2009 Harrison REMC – 4,700 – Expected Restoration: 02/02/2009

Transportation

Please visit www.in.gov/dhs for current road conditions.

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